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## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

Compounds having kappa opioid agonist activity, compositions containing them and 5 method of using them as analgesics and pruritic agents are provided.

The compounds of formulae I, II, III and IV have the structure:

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wherein

 $X, X_4, X_5, X_7, X_9;$ 

 $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$ ; and

Y, Z and n are as described in the specification

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